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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 3, 1882.

A. London Snowden, Esq.

Supt. U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Referring to voucher No. 298<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of your ordinary expense account for the month of June reimbursing from your contingent appropriation — \$19,133.<sup>76</sup> on account of Melter and Refiner and Coiner's gold wastage, I have to call your attention to the fact that the entire gold wastage of the Melter and Refiner with deduction of surplus Bullion has been paid from the appropriation for contingent expenses, while the Regulations

provide, page 16, that parting <sup>and refining</sup> should pay for such proportion of that officer's gold wastage in excess of the value of any surplus bullion as the number of ounces of gold bullion operated upon in the refinery during the whole year bears to the whole amount of gold bullion refined <sup>and made into</sup> ingots.

I will thank you to inform me why the apportionment was not made between your contingent <sup>and parting</sup> <sup>and refining</sup> appropriations as required by the Regulations just quoted.

Very respectfully,

R. A. Preston

Acting Director.

Answer.  
Because the Smelter &  
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